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Mr. Michael Fogarty  
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Dear Mr. Fogarty:

I am pleased to inform you that your technical amendment request for the Oklahoma Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waiver 0256.90 has been approved with an effective date of July 1, 1997. This HCBSW program, as authorized under the provisions of 1915(c) of the Social Security Act, provides home and community-based services as an alternative to institutional long term care services for the aged and disabled. This amendment has been assigned control number 0256.90.02. This control number should be used in all future correspondence regarding the waiver.

Specifically, this amendment: (1) clarifies the role of the DHS Area Nurse and the Advantage Program Administrative Agent (AA) in the client entry process, (2) adds language for a "designee" to act on behalf of the Advantage Care Plan Evaluator (CPE) and (3) adds language to indicate that the sampling for the Medicaid Agency's audit of the service plan certification process will be from all cases that have new or reassessment plans developed or case closures in the most recent audit period rather than from all cases that have been served through the waiver in that time period. The amendment has no effect on the previously approved estimates of utilization and cost of waiver services.

If you have any questions, please contact Joe Reeder at (214) 767-6279.

Sincerely,

Ed Lessard  
Acting Regional Administrator

Enclosure

cc: Director,  
Center for Medicaid and State Operation

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